

Reasons to work at

BACKWELL SCHOOL

We respect your professionalism

Subject areas are 'free' to make their own decisions around curriculum, teaching & learning and assessment. Teachers teach in their specialist areas, are not required to submit lesson plans and lesson observations do not carry a formal judgement. There are no proscribed teaching and learning styles – we encourage an evidenced approach rather than following educational fads.

Staff wellbeing is a priority

There is a maximum of 85% contact time with form-filling and data collection kept to a minimum. We have a sympathetic approach to staff absence and we follow a 'rarely cover' policy. Staff get involved in all aspects of school life including musical groups and there is a healthy staff social life too.

Staff Production of the Wizard of Neverland

Our students are great to work with

Visitors to Backwell invariably comment on the positive attitudes of the students: that they enjoy their time at school, have very good relationships with their teachers and are motivated to learn. This is reflected in high participation in a huge range of extra-curricular activities as well as in consistently excellent examination results.

Fantastic developmental opportunities

As a teaching school leading the NSTA (North Somerset Teaching Alliance) we offer a huge range of training programmes. As a member of the LSP (Lighthouse Schools Partnership) we have close links with a number of local secondary and primary schools. As a large school with a large Sixth Form, there are many opportunities to develop your experience and for internal promotion.

NSTA INSET Day

Backwell is in a superb location

We are in the countryside, with beautiful views from our large playing fields but very close to Bristol with excellent transport links: for example it is a ten minute walk to the Backwell and Nailsea train station.

Sixth Form Block and School Playing Fields